



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: Horst Grawe et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/710,390

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FOR: High-Speed Shears for Transverse Cutting of a Rolled Strip

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GROUP: 3724

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §114

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2003 (a RCE request with a request for a three-month extension of time being enclosed), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Amend Claims 10, 16, 17 and cancel claim 13.